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Senate Resolution 780

By: Senator Balfour of the 9th

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending Mrs. Barbara Wade; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Mrs. Barbara Wade has diligently and conscientiously served the citizens of
- 3 Georgia and the Georgia General Assembly since 1975; and
- 4 WHEREAS, she began her dedicated service with the Secretary of the Senate's Office as a
- 5 copyreader and then moved on to serve as an engrossing and enrolling clerk, perfecting each
- 6 piece of legislation and ensuring the utmost accuracy before it could be sent to the House of
- 7 Representatives and the Governor; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Mrs. Wade has seen and conquered the technological changes that have been
- 9 used in the legislative process, from processing legislation on memory typewriters with
- 10 carbon paper and white out strips, to the transition from mainframe to desktop publishing;
- 11 and
- 12 WHEREAS, a humble and selfless public servant who has always worked behind the scenes
- 13 ensuring the Senate's legislation is of the utmost quality, Mrs. Wade has never met an
- 14 amendment she could not conquer; and
- 15 WHEREAS, she has earned a well-deserved reputation for her competence, patience, and
- 16 kindness, and her cheerful disposition and devotion to duty make Mrs. Wade's company a
- 17 pleasure and inspiration; and
- 18 WHEREAS, Mrs. Wade is united in love and marriage to her devoted husband, Bobby, and
- 19 they have been blessed with four wonderful children, Susan, Michael, Stephanie, and Brian;
- 20 and

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21 WHEREAS, Mrs. Wade is an avid reader, country music fan, and recipe collector who

- 22 proudly brags about her great source of pride and joy, her six remarkable and beautiful
- 23 grandchildren; and
- 24 WHEREAS, a woman of deep and abiding faith, Mrs. Wade is an active member of the
- 25 Mount Zion Baptist Church in Snellville where she teaches Vacation Bible School and leads
- other ministry projects; and
- 27 WHEREAS, the members of the Secretary of the Senate's Office, both past and present, have
- 28 been privileged to have had her friendship and support for the past 35 legislative sessions,
- 29 and her dedicated public service and kind hearted demeanor will be sorely missed by her
- 30 coworkers; and
- 31 WHEREAS, the Senate Mezzanine will never be the same without her presence and she is
- 32 wished a lifetime of happiness and joy.
- NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
- 34 commend Mrs. Barbara Wade for 35 sessions of service to the State of Georgia under six
- 35 Governors, four Lieutenant Governors, and three Secretaries of the Senate and extend their
- most heartfelt congratulations upon the occasion of her retirement.
- 37 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
- 38 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Mrs. Barbara Wade.